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Towing Operators Division



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VACC's submission to the Essential Services Commission's accident towing fees review 2021

The Victorian Automotive Chamber of Commerce (VACC) welcomed the opportunity to provide the Essential Services Commission (ESC) with a submission in response to the ESC's *Accident towing fees review 2021 Consultation paper*.

[VACC's submission](#) covers three key areas in detail before providing an itemised response to the ESC's list of stakeholder questions. The key areas covered are:

- the background to the factors affecting the industry that VACC considers are relevant for the ESC's recommendation under section 212A of the *Accident Towing Services Act 2007* (Vic)
- the need for a cost-of-service methodology, with a benchmarking approach not appropriate
- the need to set a productivity adjustment figure of negative 0.5 per cent, as the default figure of 0.5 per cent a year is not appropriate.

Included as an appendix to VACC's submission is a cost-of-service model approach prepared by Deloitte Access Economics.

Feedback received by the ESC in response to their consultation paper, as well as other data and information collected, will inform their draft report to be released in October 2021.

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